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FLOATING CABLE STOP FOR A

CABLE ACTUATED BICYCLE

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AMENDMENT B

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed in the above-captioned application on October 8, 2002, Applicant responds as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

The bicycle cable guide system of claim 1 wherein the first axially fixed connector comprises a first length of flexible housing receiving the flexible cable and a ferrule between a first end of the housing and the first length of flexible housing.

6. The breycle cable guide system of claim 5 further comprising:

a second length of flexible housing having substantially the same inner and outer diameter as the first length; and

a second ferrule joining an end of the second length of flexible housing to a second end of the straight length of axially and radially rigid tubing.

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